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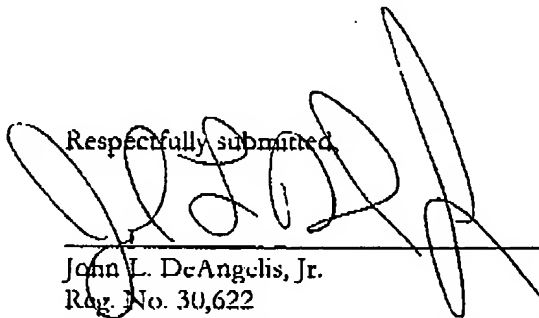
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 3, 2005, (noting that April 3, 2005 is a Sunday) the Applicants hereby submit amendments to certain claims and related remarks for the Examiner's consideration.